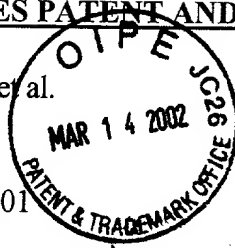


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In re Application of : Peter Melchior et al.  
Appln. No. : 09/981,637  
Filed : October 16, 2001  
Title : CREDIT MONITORING AND CREDIT ASSURANCE IN A FULL  
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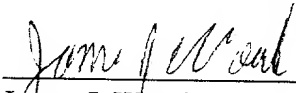
We have received a Notice To File Missing Parts of Application--Filing Date Granted mailed on December 5, 2001. We are returning herewith a copy of that Notice and executed declaration and power of attorney identifying the application by its serial number and filing date. We are enclosing substitute drawings (16 sheets, figs. 1-16) that are believed to be in compliance with the rules.

We are also enclosing herewith a check in the amount of \$673.00 which includes surcharge fee (\$65.00), extension of time (\$55.00), and filing fee (\$553.00) for a small entity.

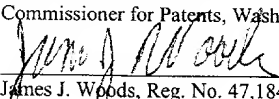
The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 02-4270.

Respectfully submitted,

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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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*Applicant must submit \$ 370 to complete the basic filing fee for a small entity.*
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$183.
  - \$99 for 11 total claims over 20.
  - \$84 for 2 independent claims over 3.
- The oath or declaration is missing.  
*A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.*
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 618.**

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
  - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. ( 5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);

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